

Tampering With Players of Rival Clubs in National League Will Bring Severe Punishment to Guilty Club Owners

NATIONAL LEAGUE REBUKES WEEGHMAN

Owner of Cubs Censured for Tampering With Players of Rival Club.

BY FREDERICK G. LIND.

The National League took a sharp grip at the Chicago club yesterday when it went on record as condemning the practice of one club publicly announcing the names of the players or players of a rival club, thereby shaking the team morale of the club affected. More drastic punishment was promised to any owner guilty of repeating such offence in the future.

President Weeghman, in a statement, severely criticized the practice.

Rickey did not mince words in telling of how the St. Louis club suffered by reason of Weeghman's public declarations that he would obtain Hodges, Hornsby, and Cardinal stars by hook or crook.

Rickey and his club had sustained great damage and injury by reason of Weeghman's attitude, his team had been demoralized and formerly satisfied players were holding out for salaries such as present conditions in baseball. His personal efforts pointed out that Hodges had demanded a raise of \$10,000 this year, due to the fact that Weeghman's effort to buy him and the player's dissatisfaction when the deal was not consummated.

Walter Craighead, secretary of the Cubs, who represented the Chicago crew in the negotiations with Weeghman, strongly denied that the Cubs ever had an idea of inducing the Louie with internal publicity. He disclaimed the charge that the Cubs were responsible for the publicity given Weeghman's efforts to buy Hodges. Rickey, however, produced several letters showing that Weeghman did not restrain his attempts to buy Hodges and went up publicly to that effect.

Players Withdrawn. After adverse criticism President Edwards withdrew his proposed amendment to the constitution by which no prospective games could be played off at any time in the season without the written consent of the league, or by the majority of the circuit. The league also went on record as opposing double headers except when they were absolutely necessary.

After this expression of the league Edwards proposed an amendment to the constitution forbidding double headers to the future and providing that no proposed games be canceled if no single one date were available to play them on. Such a rule was in effect in the early days of the National League. The rule was withdrawn.

Bronx Rickey insisted on putting through a measure for the repeal of the non-transferable waiver rule. This rule had been in effect in the National League since 1912. It merely means the return to the waiver rule in effect prior to 1912, when never was changed in the American League. This rule may not ask for waivers on a player from another club or club desirous to waive the club asking for the waiver has the privilege to recall it.

Rickey, however, was defeated in his attempt to have a minimum of 12 months for players who were free agents when obtained from other leagues. The result was that this was too much to ask for an inexperienced player transferred from club to the other. The rule, which now only permits clubs to differ with each other over the price to paid waived players.

War Tax Situation Discussed. The war tax situation was discussed at length, but the league took no position on the subject. A committee consisting of Dreicer, Hirsch, Hirschman, and Baker was appointed to determine whether the American League either today or tomorrow to bring about a uniform system of prices. This committee was given power to act for the National League.

The agreement is in favor of a scale of rates which will go with the change of pennants. Ebbets had a number of his changing machines at the meeting, but he now admits it will be a hard matter to make change for the general admission of 12 cents even with the aid of the change machine.

The club which will adopt the scale of 10, 12 and 15 cents, without any provision being made as to what will be done with the extra three cents collected on the quarter admissions and the extra two cents collected on the general admission.

The league reaffirmed its vote by which President Tener was granted full power to settle Federal League war indemnities via the former Federal League club folded. A meeting will be held this week among Tener, Ban Johnson and the club attorney for organized baseball and legal advice on the part of Ward, Moore, Harry Moore, and Edward Gardner, by which the first money settlement of the war will be made. This settlement does not hinge on the result of the suit of the Baltimore Federal League directors.

First Payment Is \$60,000. The first payment for \$60,000 to be paid Ward and estate, \$20,000 to be paid Harry Moore, \$12,000 to be paid Gardner. In each case one year interest will be added. Under the war settlement the Ward estate was to get \$120,000 for twenty years, \$10,000 for ten years, \$10,000 for five years.

The payment was to be made in two years, two years ago, and this is the first time the payment has been made.

A committee consisting of Hempstead, Baker and Ebbets was appointed to work with a committee from the American League to devise ways and means of taking care of the ball parks formerly used by the Federal League in Brooklyn and New York. N. J. With the first payment made, the plan is to have a heavy liability on the major leagues, and efforts will be made to employ them in such a way that they may bring some relief for the big sums organized baseball has agreed to pay the former Federal League promoters.

The amount to be paid is to be up to individual club owners, so players should carry their baggage, and an attendant should take care of it as before. A uniform system of club rules were adopted, which will be posted in the clubhouses of the different clubs on the first day of the season.

The league approved the new method of finding the new champion. The plan, which recently was adopted by Chairman Hermann of the National Commission and President Johnson of the American League,

KINGSLEY HIGH FIVE WINS. Kingsley High School yesterday defeated Ridge Hill in the second basketball game played on the Kingsley court to date. A field goal by Carl Kingsley in the last minute of play decided the issue. The final score was 18 to 14. At the same time Kingsley led by 2 points. The score at half-time was

2000 YOUNG SIGNS CONTRACT.

Promising Outfielder May Be a Great Regular Next Season.

Steve Young, a young infielder-outfielder, who flashed so brightly with the Giants during the latter part of last season, yesterday went to his signed contract for the 1918 season. Young was a Texan, a player who many experts think may turn out to be the greatest outfielder to come into the big leagues since Speaker, also a Texan, joined the Red Sox.

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SHAMROCK IV. MAY BE FITTED FOR RACE.

Sir Thomas Lipton's Agent Arrives Here to Inspect 1914 Cup Challenger.

Sir Thomas Lipton, perennial challenger for the America's Cup, confident and good sportsman, has not abandoned hope of eventually capturing the famous trophy. In fact, the British racingman already is laying plans to send Shamrock IV, after the coveted cup as soon as the war ends.

Captain Walter M. Marks Sir Thomas' representative, arrived in an American port yesterday, with instructions to inspect the cup challenger, which has been laid up in the Erie Basin since the outbreak of the war. Marks is to report to the owner as to her condition.

This action on the part of Sir Thomas might possibly be construed on his part as a belief that the war will not last very much longer and that the race set for this fall will be staged near the Shamrock IV.

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